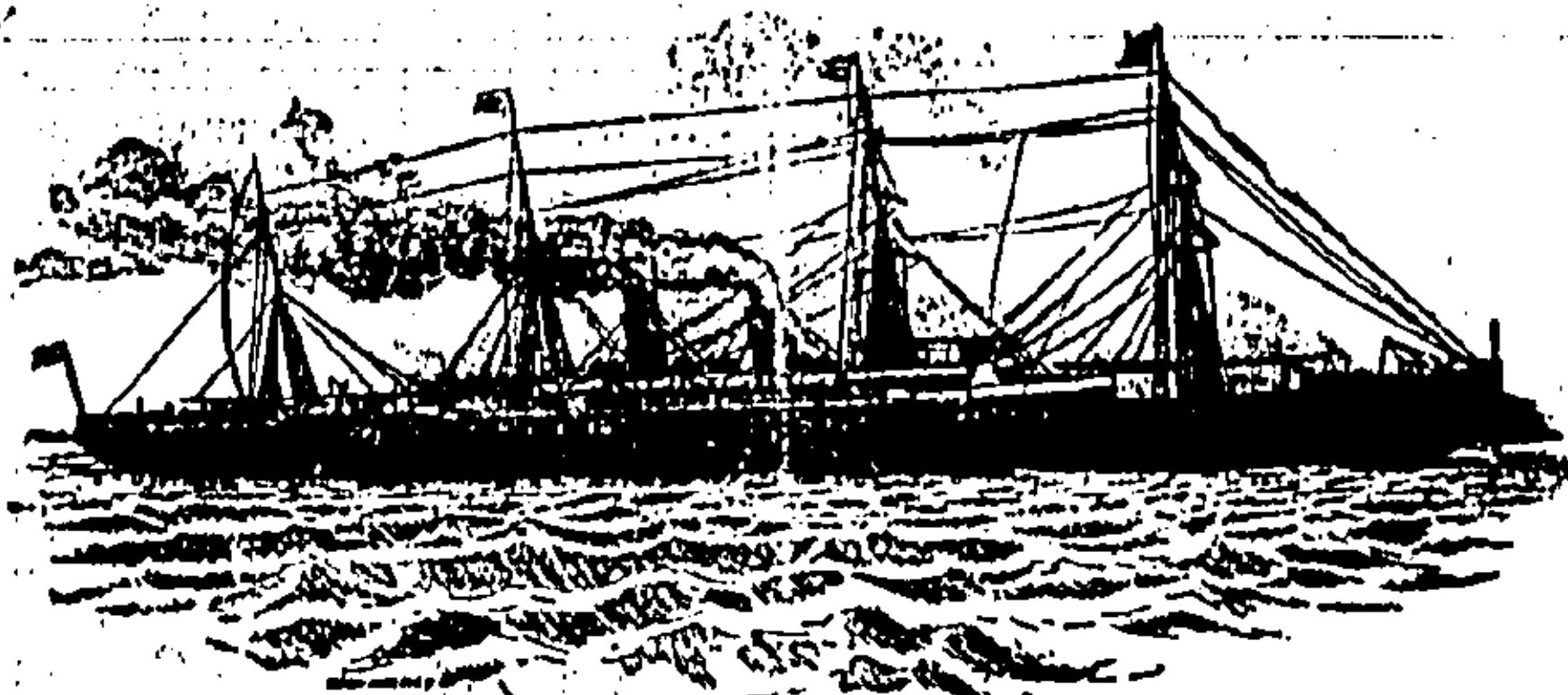


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"KOREA".....	11,276 ".....	TUESDAY, 24th May, at Noon.
"GAELIC".....	4,205 ".....	SATURDAY, 4th June, at Noon.
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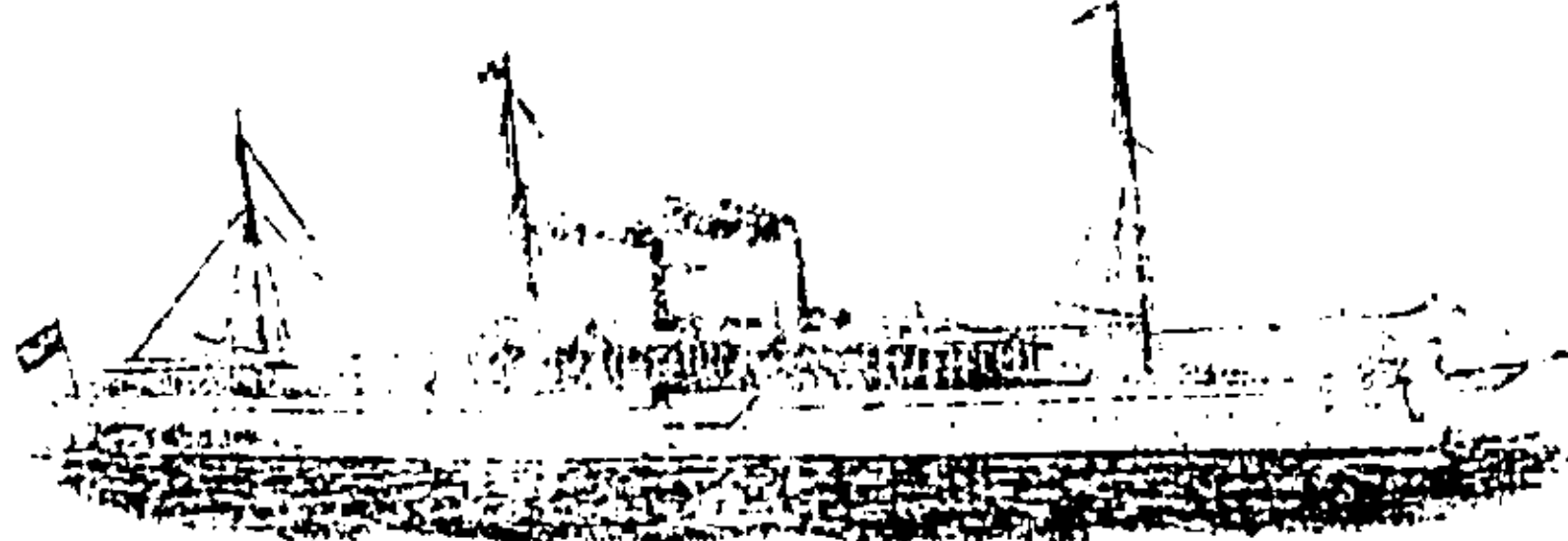
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MARBURG.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	17th May. Freight.
Stern.....	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	
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REGOVIA.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	14th June. Freight.
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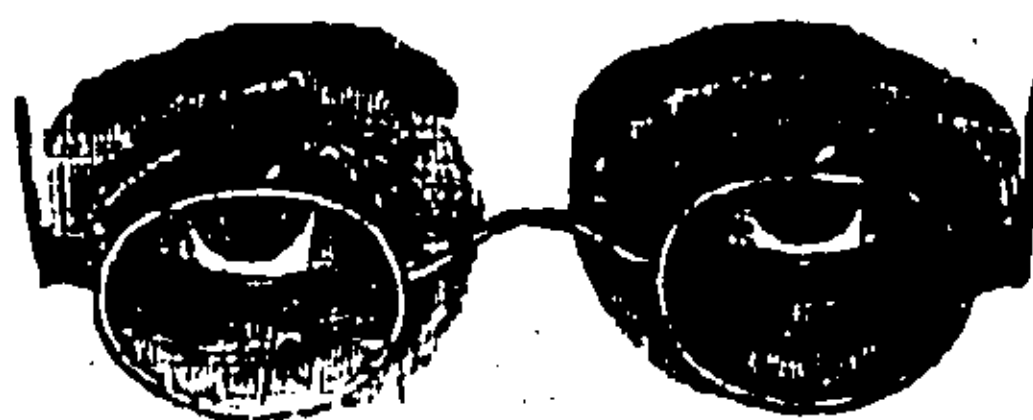
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Yokohama, May 11th, 1903.

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Hongkong, 2nd July, 1900.

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Hongkong, 9th February, 1903.

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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

Information has been received from the
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out from the road near Sawan Hill in a direction
South-East on to Dragon's Back, and with
4.7" Q. F. guns from Lyemua in a direction
North-East across the sea on to High Junk
Peak on the 8th April, 1904, between the hours
of 10 A.M. and 2 P.M.

By Command,

A. M. THOMSON,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 30th March, 1904.

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AMERICAN POTATOES,
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Hongkong, 29th March, 1904.

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Hongkong, 15th December, 1903.

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SUNDAY EVENING,

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Hongkong, 2nd April, 1904.

Auctions.



GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 11th day of April, 1904, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Conduit Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from the 10th day of July, 1899.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Area in Acres	Annual Rent	Upset Price
1	Conduit Road	20' 0" x 10' 0" x 20' 0" x 10' 0"	0.0001	10	1,000

Hongkong, 31st March, 1904.



GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 11th day of April, 1904, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of Two Lots of CROWN FORESHORE and Sea-Bed at Shaikwan, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Area in Acres	Annual Rent	Upset Price
1	Shaikwan	20' 0" x 10' 0" x 20' 0" x 10' 0"	0.0001	10	1,000

Hongkong, 31st March, 1904.

NOTICE.

THE Public are hereby informed that no change has been made in the Rates of Subscription to the Hongkong Telegraph and they are warned against paying more than the CENTS (10 cts.) per Single Copy.

THE MANAGER,
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Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required. Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

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Steamers, Tons, Captains, 1904

Steamers	Tons	Captains	1904
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THE BANK HOLIDAY SPORTS.

Following are brief details of the Victoria Recreation Club's seventh athletic meeting which took place on the Happy Valley in miserable weather on Easter Monday:—

LONG JUMP (Three tries).—First Prize presented by Messrs. David Sassoon, Sons & Co.; Second Prize presented. R. Hancock (17 ft. 9 in.); first; H. Arthur (17 ft. 7 in.); second; J. Wittchell, (17 ft. 4 in.); third.

THROWING THE CRICKET BALL (Three tries).—First Prize presented by Hongkong Cricket Club; Second Prize presented. R. Hancock (93 yds.); first; N. H. Rutherford (90 yds.); second.

HIGH JUMP (Three tries).—First Prize presented by Mr. T. P. Cochran; Second Prize presented. J. Wittchell (5 ft. 0 in.); first; L. C. Rees (4 ft. 11 in.); second.

120 YARDS FLAT RACE (Handicap).—First prize presented by Mr. J. R. M. Smith; Second prize presented.

First Heat.—E. R. Herton, 1; R. Pantonji, 2. Second Heat.—H. D. Bell, 1; J. P. Jordan, 2. Third Heat.—J. H. A. Hance, 1; H. C. Austen, 2.

Fourth Heat.—W. T. Andrews, 1; H. Hancock, 2. Final.—R. Pantonji (13 3/5 secs.); first; J. H. R. Hance, second.

BICYCLE RACE.—One mile handicap. Start in Saddle.—First prize presented; Second prize presented. Austen (2 min. 45 3/5 secs.); first; Wittchell, second; Forbes, third.

100 YARDS FLAT RACE.—(Challenge Cup).—Presented by Dr. F. H. Kew. To be won three years before becoming the property of Competitor. First prize presented by the China Sugar Refinery Co.; second presented.

First Heat.—E. R. Herton, 1; A. J. V. Ribeiro, 2. Second Heat.—J. P. Jordan, 1; N. H. Rutherford, 2.

Third Heat.—H. Hancock, 1; J. H. A. Hance, 2. Final.—Jordan (11 1/5 secs.); first; Hancock, second; Hance, third.

TUG OF WAR.—Open to Non-Commissioned Officers and men of Army and Police (Indian). Each Regiment or Corps may enter one team only; 8 men a side.

The 8th Co. R.G.A. beat H.M.S. *Cruisy*, pulling the latter over twice in three tugs.

In a Native Tug of War, between two teams of the H.K.S.B.R.A. M. Bux's team was victorious.

BICYCLE RACE (Two miles Handicap, start in saddle).—First prize presented by Mr. W. Farmer; second prize by Mr. F. W. White; third prize presented. H. C. Austen (5 min. 45 secs.); first; Wittchell, second.

HALF-MILE FLAT RACE (Scotch).—First and second prizes presented by the Taihook Club. A. Humphreys (2 min. 12 3/5 secs.); first; J. J. Watson, second.

120 YARDS HURDLE RACE (10 flights).—Previous Winners at Hongkong or elsewhere to be penalized 2 1/2 yards. First prize presented by Mr. A. Denison; second prize presented by Mr. W. A. Crake.

First Heat.—E. F. Ancott, 1; W. T. Andrews, 2. Second Heat.—H. Hancock, 1; J. H. Wittchell, 2. Third Heat.—E. R. Herton, 1; D. A. Menecal, 2.

Fourth Heat.—J. P. Jordan, 1; N. H. Rutherford, 2. Semi-final.—H. Hancock, 1; J. H. Wittchell, 2. Semi-final.—N. H. Rutherford, 1; J. P. Jordan, 2.

Final.—H. Hancock, 1; J. P. Jordan, 2. 220 YARDS FLAT RACE (Handicap).—First Prize presented by Commodore C. G. Dicken, R.N.; second prize presented by Mr. W. Armstrong.

First Heat.—A. J. V. Ribeiro, 1; J. H. A. Hance and A. Marti, dead heat for second. Second Heat.—F. K. Tata, 1; A. Loureiro, 2; J. P. Jordan and H. P. Wippell, dead heat for third.

Third Heat.—C. T. Cooke, 1; E. F. Ancott, 2; W. T. Andrews, 3. Final.—F. K. Tata (25 2/5 secs.); 1; H. P. Wippell, 2.

THREE-LEGGED RACE.—(100 yards).—First prize presented by Mr. Hart Buck; second prize presented.

A. J. V. Ribeiro and A. V. Barros won this. TUG-OF-WAR.—Open to Non-Commissioned Officers and Men of Navy, Army and Police. Prizes presented.

The 78th Co. R.G.A. carried honours. SACK RACE (30 Yards).—First Prize presented by Mr. C. A. Tomes, second prize presented. R. Baza, 1; F. W. White, 2.

ONE MILE FLAT RACE (Handicap).—First prize presented by H. E. Major-General Sir Villiers Hutton, C.B.; second prize presented. Ward, 1; E. Humphreys, 2.

120 YARDS VETERANS' RACE (Handicap).—Competitors to be over 35 years of age and not less than 10 years residence in India, China, or the tropics; 1 1/2 yards start to be given for each year over 35 years of age. First prize presented by Hon. Sir C. P. Chater, C.M.G.; second prize presented. A. Rodger (14 1/5 secs.); 1; C. Pinckney, 2.

BOYS' RACE 440 YARDS (Handicap).—Post entries before 2 p.m. open to all boys over 12 and under 16. Handicap at the post, age to be stated on entry. First and second prizes presented by Mr. R. H. B. Mitchell.

Magud, 1; Juman, 2. BICYCLE RACE, Three Miles (Handicap).—Start in saddle. First prize presented by H. E. Major, C.M.G.; second prize presented by Messrs. G. Falconer & Co. H. C. Austen (9 min. 13 3/5 secs.); 1; R. C. Wittchell, 2.

CONSOLATION RACE (120 yards).—Open to all Competitors except post entries. Prize presented by Mr. E. M. Hazeland. Chambers (2 min. 16 1/5 secs.); 1; Stewart 2; Fowles, 3.

440 YARDS FLAT RACE (Challenge Cup).—To be won two years in succession before becoming the property of a competitor. First prize presented by Mr. H. M. Mody; second prize presented by Mr. H. C. Austen.

THE WEIHAIWEI GOLD MINING CO., LIMITED.

(Concluded from yesterday.)
This closed the business. An extraordinary meeting followed immediately, at which the Chairman proposed the resolution, embodied in a privately circulated document of which the following is a copy:—

"The Directors desire to place before the shareholders the exact position of the Company, and they must therefore point out the immediate necessity of increasing the working capital, which is required to complete the mill and to provide funds for the vigorous development of the present mines.

They suggest issuing 4,500 preference shares of \$20 each, \$10 to be paid on allotment and the balance as and if required by giving one month's notice for each call of \$5.00, the said preference shares to receive a 5 per cent dividend on the amount paid up and then to rank equally with the ordinary shares for any further dividend.

These preference shares to be offered in the first place to the present shareholders in the proportion of 1 to 5 and after to the public at the discretion of the Directors.

After conclusion of the ordinary meeting called for the 24th day of March, 1904, an extraordinary meeting will be held at which the following resolution will be proposed:—

"That the Directors be, and they are, hereby authorized to issue 4,500 shares of \$20 each to be called preference shares, and the provisions following in regard thereto shall have effect, that is to say:—

1.—That the holders of such preference shares shall be entitled to receive out of the profits of each year of the Company as a first charge a preferential dividend for such year at the rate of 5 per cent per annum on the capital for the time being paid up on such shares respectively, and further after payment of such preferential dividend the holders of such preference shares shall be entitled to participate in the surplus profits of each year pari passu with the holders of the other shares."

2.—That such preference shares be offered at par in the first instance to the shareholders of the Company holding five or more shares in the proportion of one preference share to every five shares now held by them respectively and upon the condition that \$10 on each preference share taken up be paid to the Company on acceptance of the offer and the balance of \$10 be paid by two instalments of \$5 each if and when required but so that not less than one month's notice of any call shall be given. Such offer shall be made by notice specifying the number of shares to which the shareholder is entitled, and limiting a time within which the offer if not accepted by payment will be deemed to be declined and that the Directors be empowered to dispose of the shares not taken in response to such offer as they consider expedient in the interests of the Company."

The Chairman said: In moving the resolution for which this meeting was convened, I will endeavour to explain briefly the necessity for its adoption. The Company started with a working capital of only \$150,000, say £13,000 to £14,000. The Provisional Directors were provided with a scheme by Mr. Ellam as to how this was to be spent, all of which items appeared to them feasible, but have proved in nearly every case too small for actual requirements. I need only instance one item that of mill cost and erection, estimated by him as \$36,000 whereas it will cost about £8,000 or say \$90,000 to \$95,000. Of course it must not be lost sight of that we are erecting a mill with power for 40 stamps. If you endorse the resolution now before you, it will give us an additional \$90,000 capital, only half of which will be called up now and in all probability, with this sum, namely, \$45,000, we shall have sufficient funds to meet all liabilities until the mill is running.

Mr. F. E. Taylor—I do not think it out of place to say that we are more interested in Weihaiwei than in the Korean mines. Personally I should like to say that I am absolutely confident in the future of the mine. We all know that Mr. Duff is a man of very great experience and he has gone very carefully into the matter for us and has taken a great interest in the Company. The reports which circulate in Shanghai are not justified by the property we hold. It is true that the geological formation in that part of Shantung is very much broken up and gold is generally found in such small patches that it does not pay to erect a mill. But we have been fortunate in finding a true fissure reef of unknown depth about 14 miles long, carrying gold all the way. A shaft has been sunk 100 feet and Chinese workings have been traced to that depth, showing that the quartz extracted must have yielded a good average of gold to pay by their primitive methods. Mr. Duff estimates that the probable output will be about 6 or 7 dwys per ton, and if we put in another 20 stamps we shall crush 160 tons a day. If everything goes on satisfactorily on a basis of only 5 dwys per ton you will there have a profit of about £4,500, which is a very handsome return indeed. By several people I have been informed that this Company cannot possibly pay as we have insufficient funds and shall have to sell out to another Company which will come in and make a large profit. The Directors assure me that they have gone into the matter very carefully and that the extra capital now to be raised will be quite sufficient, although a call of another \$5 on the preference shares may possibly have to be made. But from the time the mill commences to work, we shall pay our way. As has been said, we have other properties which promise to pay, and I consider that, at this stage, we should be very foolish if we made any difficulty in taking up the new shares.

The Chairman mentioned that the directors had seen a few of the larger shareholders, and over one thousand of the 4,500 had already been taken up, so there would be no difficulty about that. The resolution was declared carried unanimously.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman closed the proceedings.—W. C. D. NHEE.

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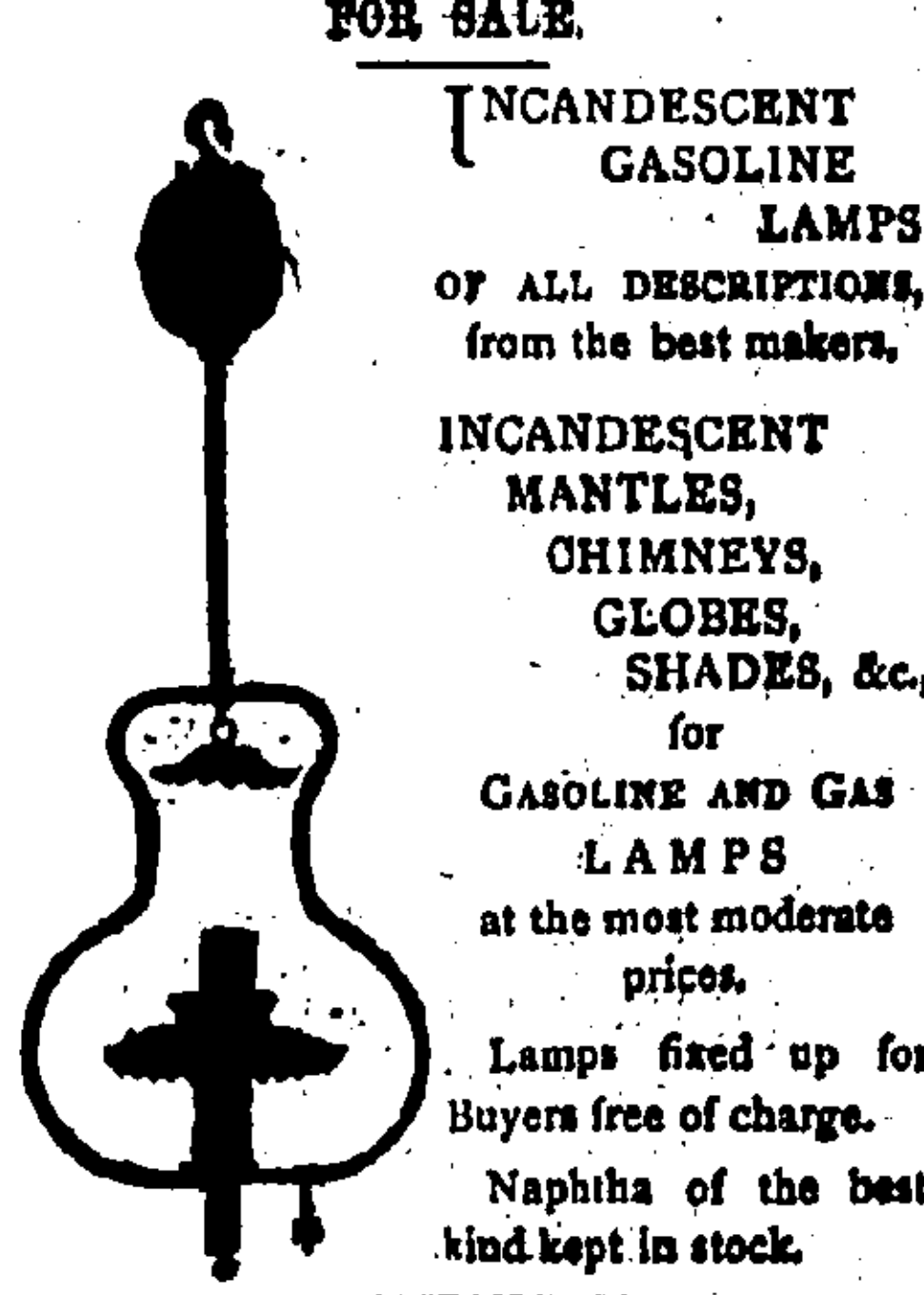
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MARRIAGE.

At St. Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore, on
March 24th, by the Ven. Archdeacon Dunkerley,
MARGARET MAHEL LIND, second daughter
of Mr. G. A. Lind of Singapore, to JAMES
LLOYD MURPHY, youngest son of the late
Major Robert Murphy, R.A.M.C.

DEATHS.

On the 29th Feb. at Wiesbaden, W. KROHN,
late of Singapore, aged 62.

On the 26th March, at the General Hospital,
Singapore, FLORENCE KATE, dearly loved
wife of BERTRAM L. FROST, aged 34 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 1904

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE P. & O. Co.'s steamer *Formosa* will leave
for Shanghai, &c., at noon to-morrow.

WE have to acknowledge the receipt, from the
Imperial Maritime Customs, of the Medical
Reports, for the half-year ended 31st March,
1903, and the Customs Gazette, October-De-
cember, 1903.

SERIOUS anti-foreigner riots are reported from
Hankung, Korea, and the party antagonistic to
the present dynasty are reported to be inciting
the riots.

MR. J. M. Beck, superintendent of the Eastern
Extension Australasia & China Telegraph Co.,
Ltd., informs us that normal communication
by cable with Tonkin via Cape St. James is
restored.

A TELEGRAM to the *Tokyo Asahi* states that
public opinion in London regarding the Japa-
nese White-book is entirely favourable to Japan,
whose offer respecting Manchuria is considered
magnanimous.

THE use of wireless telegraphy for private and
business communications began on 15th March,
between Belgian stations, the Belgian mail
steamer, and the English coast. The rate
charged is twopence per word, with 1s. 8d. as a
minimum.

THE blood-stained stretchers employed to carry
the wounded officers *Varyag* and *Korietz* were
brought on March 18th to the military museum,
Yushu-kwan Kudan, Tokyo, where they are
now exhibited.

GOLD to the value of ¥150,000, shipped at
Hongkong and Shanghai, was discharged by
the French steamer *Armand Belin* on her
arrival at Yokohama on the 24th ult. The gold
consisted of Japanese coins which have pre-
viously been exported.

CHARLES A. Conant, of the International Ex-
change Commission is (January 25) in Rome.
The proposal is that the indemnity be paid in
silver for a term of years, the amount thus
saved to China to be a gold reserve for
establishing the new currency system. Italy
has expressed some willingness.

THE German steamer *Brigantia*, from Kobe
for Hamburg, was detained at Shimonsaki
stationed there. Seven guns and 204 tons of
material for torpedo boats were found on board.
The articles were certified to be for German
ships at Tientsin and on the Yangtze. The
vessel was released on 27th ult. by the Japa-
nese authorities.

IT is gratifying to learn from the *Customs' Ga-
zette* that for the period, October-December,
1903, the trade of the West River shows a con-
siderable increase as compared with what it
was in the corresponding period of the previous
year. The collection of dues and duties at
Samshui, Kongmoon, Kumchuk, and Wuchow
amounted to Hk. Tls. 170,088 as compared
with Hk. Tls. 94,886 during the same quarter
of 1902.

THE Chinese trade returns for 1903 were made
public on March 26th. According to a des-
patch from Shanghai, the total imports amount-
ed to 326,000,000 taels and exports to 214,000,000
taels. The total trade with Japan was 80,000,000
taels and was larger than that with any other
nation. The total Customs revenue were
30,000,000 taels and showed an increase of
5,000,000 taels compared to 1902, when the
previous largest amount was collected.

THERE has been a rumour at Portsmouth that
the first-class cruiser *Powerful* will shortly be
commissioned for service on the China Station.

MEMBERS of the Victoria Recreation Club are
reminded that entries for the scratch four-oar
race to take place on Saturday, the 23rd inst.,
close to-morrow at 5 p.m. sharp.

THE Osaka Shosen Kaisha has ordered a shal-
low draught passenger steamer to be construct-
ed at the Mitsu Bishi Shipbuilding yard at
Nagasaki for the steamship company's Yangtze-
kiang service, and the contract therefor is re-
ported to have been signed between the parties
concerned on the 20th ult. The steamer is to
be 210 feet in length, 45 feet in breadth, 10 feet
in depth, and 1,660 tons gross, with a speed of
11 knots an hour, and is expected to be ready
for sea in April, 1905.

SAMUEL Sung Young, a Chinese student at the
University of California, has been appointed a
lieutenant in the University Cadet Regiment.
Should he rise to major, or higher, he will be
eligible for a second lieutenancy in the United
States Army. Lieutenant Young is the only
Chinese wearing the uniform of an officer of
the United States Army. He is a son of Rev.
W. C. Young, a regularly ordained clergyman
of the Episcopal Church, and formerly rector
of a mission in San Francisco.

THE following are United States new consuls
in China: Consul-General—Fleming D. Che-
shire, New York, at Mukden, China. Consuls—
James W. Davidson, Minnesota, at Antung,
China; Edwin V. Morgan, New York, at
Dalny, China. The salaries for Mukden and
Antung are fixed at \$1,000 each. That for
Dalny is made \$1,500 (gold). J. W. David-
son, appointed Consul Antung, is
promoted from Acting-Consul at Tamsui,
Formosa. J. T. Che-shire, appointed Consul-
General at Mukden, is a very competent
Chinese scholar, and was a secretary of the
American Legation at Peking during the
Boxer outbreak. E. V. Morgan, appointed
commercial agent with headquarters at Dalny,
was formerly attaché at St. Petersburg and
Seoul; he is reputed a millionaire fond
of diplomatic life. The three men are considered
extremely competent.

IT is stated that Russia, immediately after the
outbreak of hostilities, found it necessary to
 allot 6,850,000 roubles to strengthen the bureau
of police. At Warsaw it has become necessary
to adopt the Russian system of entering house-
servants in the pay of the secret police, in order
that track can be kept of agitators. All at-
tempts on the part of Russian officials to
organize demonstrations in favour of the war
have been frustrated by the workmen, who
have persisted in gathering in the streets and
checking the enthusiasm of warlike orators.
The crowds march through the streets singing
revolutionary songs and shouting for the in-
dependence of Poland, and defying the police
to interfere. There is no question but that
the Russian reverses have infused the Polish
patriots with renewed hope of the overthrow of
the Russian yoke. The Russian government,
therefore, has increased the police throughout
Poland.

TROUBLE AT KWANCHOWAN.

FRENCH SOLDIERS KILLED

Since her acquisition of the territory of
Kwanchowan, in 1894, France has experienced
considerable trouble with the bands of armed
outlaws that have infected these regions from
time immemorial. During the first three years
of occupation, the Government of French Indo-
China was obliged to organise, on several oc-
casions, military operations against these daring
banditti, who from time to time raided the
villages and even the town of Kwanchowan
itself.

Owing to the extreme mobility of these bands
and to the proximity of the Chinese frontier,
the French troops were able to inflict little or
no punishment on the intruders. After each
foray, the bandits retreated hastily over the
hills into Kwangtung, leaving behind them a
small covering detachment, in ambush in
some narrow defile through which the pur-
suers had to pass. Thus it was that, on
several occasions, the vanguards of the
French columns suffered severe loss in their
efforts to suppress the marauders. It was
only by considerably increasing the strength
of the garrison, constructing blockhouses in
the hills and continually patrolling the roads
leading to the Chinese frontier that some im-
balance of security was maintained. Notwith-
standing such precautions, however, these raids
still take place sporadically, often resulting in
considerable loss of life and property. Though
the French Authorities do their utmost to pre-
vent news of these incidents becoming public,
sooner or later information transpires, and we
are now informed that, last month, the bandits
made another incursion into the territory of the
Republic, which resulted in some loss to the
troops that came into contact with the raiders.
On the 17th March, a reconnoitring party com-
posed of Tonkinese troops officered by Euro-
peans, which had set out from the military post
at Komoni Po, was attacked close to the Chi-
nese frontier, and a native sergeant and a pri-
vate were killed. From a different point in
the territory news has been received of another
engagement in which three private (natives)
were slain, and two others were murdered in
the island of Tan Hai, this time by the inhabi-
tants. Several of the villagers have been arrested
and the bodies, which it appears, were horribly
mutilated, were recovered. From this it would
appear that tranquillity is far from assured in
the region of Kwanchowan.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT
CO., LTD.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The fifteenth ordinary general meeting of
shareholders in the Green Island Cement Co.,
Ltd., was held at the offices of the General
Managers, Des Vaux Road, at 11.30 a.m. to-day.
There were present Mr. C. A. Tomes (chair-
man), Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Hon.
C. W. Dickinson, Dr. J. W. Noble (Consulting
Committee), J. R. Michael, E. J. Moses, T. F.
Hough, S. J. Michael, Fung Wa Chun, C.
Klinck, G. M. Bain, E. A. Hewett, D. Haskell,
and A. Babington.

The notice convening the meeting having
been read,

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen,—Unless
here is any objection we shall take the report
as read: The past year is the best in the
history of the company, and we hope it is only
the forerunner of many of like character. The
quantity of cement turned out is about 33%
greater than in 1902, and the limit of capacity
of the present establishments has been nearly
reached. One new kiln is under construction
in Macao, and some new grinding machinery
being installed to make a complete and well-
balanced factory there, and when this work is
all finished—and it is estimated it will be at
the end of the present year—the production
will be increased by about 4,500 tons per
annum. At Hok On it has been discovered
that with the experience gained in firing, else-
where the kilns turn out a greater quantity of
clinker than was estimated and more than the mills
can grind, and it is proposed to erect more
grinding plant, and secure an increase of 6,000
tons here. From the two establishments we
shall get therefore about 60,000 barrels per
annum more, and no difficulty is anticipated
in selling this extra quantity as the present
sales keep pace with all that is manufactured.
The high quality of the cement has been well
maintained and its excellence is appreciated
wherever it goes. Consumption has increased,
especially locally, the several large engineering
undertakings at present under way in the Colony
absorbing a good percentage of the output.
These undertakings will be completed in time,
but new ones will no doubt arise in their place
as we need not contemplate any failure on the
part of Hongkong to continue its progress, and
the vitality of a port nowadays is well
estimated by its ability to absorb cement.
The anxious feeling we had about supplies of
limestone has now disappeared in the face of
the quantity brought down from the country
last summer, and at the beginning of this last
dry season there was nearly a ten months
stock on our hands. We must aim to con-
stantly keep that quantity in sight. The brick
and pipe works at Deep Water Bay have been
improved, and the output is larger and better.
The plant is yet however inadequate to supply
the demands of the Public Works Department,
and many orders go past us to the factories at
home. The Company's overdraft at the bank
is a large one; but as we are doing so well, we
think it justifiable to pay the proposed dividend
especially as ample provision has been made
for depreciation. The overdraft to-day stands
at about \$350,000. Before moving the adoption
of the report and accounts I shall be pleased
to answer any questions that shareholders may
ask.

There being no questions, the Chairman pro-
posed, Mr. J. R. Michael seconded, and it
was agreed that the report and accounts as
presented be adopted and passed.

CONSULTING COMMITTEE.

On the proposition of Mr. Hough, seconded
by Mr. Klinck, the Hon. Sir Paul Chater, Hon.
C. W. Dickinson, and Dr. Noble were re-
elected to the Consulting Committee.

AUDITORS.

Mr. G. M. Bain proposed, and Mr. Haskell
seconded and it was agreed that Messrs. T.
Arnold and W. H. Potts be re-elected auditors.

The Chairman:—That is all the business,
gentlemen. Dividend warrants will be ready
this afternoon. Thank you for your attendance.

THE FLEET.

The battleships *Glory*, *Albatross*, *Ocean*, *Ven-
geance* and *Centurion* and the cruisers *Cressy*
and *Amphitrite* left this port this morning.
As mentioned in our issue of the 4th, it is pro-
bable that these ships will go for a short cruise
to the north. The *Talbot* came in from Mirs
Bay to-day.

U. S. CRUISER "SAN
FRANCISCO"

WORK FOR THE DOCK CO.

The U. S. cruiser *San Francisco*, Captain
Very commanding, arrived at Cavite, on the
30th ult. after a run of six days from Singapore.
According to the *Cablenews*, the *San Fran-
cisco* will proceed in a few days to Hongkong
and, after being drydocked at Kowloon, Admiral
Stirling will transfer his flag to her from the
Rainbow, after which she will be known as the
flagship of the junior squadron commander.

The *San Francisco* prior to being ordered
to join the Asiatic station was attached to
Admiral Cotton's European squadron and
was stationed at Beirut during the recent
Turkish troubles. It has been learned that
Captain Thorpe, U. S. M. C., commanding the
marine guard of the *San Francisco*, accompa-
nied by several of the naval officers, made some
very interesting journeys inland while the ship
was stopping at ports en route. Captain Thorpe,
prior to obtaining his commission in the ma-
rine corps, was engaged in writing for several of
the leading magazines, besides having been
engaged as war correspondent on several of
the big eastern dailies.

TELEGRAMS.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH"
SERVICE.

THE WAR.

THE JAPANESE ADVANCE.

OCCUPATION OF WIJU.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

YOKOHAMA, 6th April.

11.30 a.m.

The Japanese scouts entered the
town of Wiju on Sunday evening, and
found that it had been abandoned by
the Russian troops.

RUSSIANS RE-CROSS THE
YALU.

The Koreans around Wiju re-
ported to the officers in command of
the Japanese cavalry scouts that, the
Russians had re-crossed the Yalu on
Saturday.

THE ENGAGEMENT AT
CHONG-JU.

RUSSIANS CAPTURED.

During the recent engagement at
Chong-ju, twenty Russian soldiers
were surrounded and obliged to
surrender.

These prisoners have been con-
ducted to the rear of the Japanese
forces.

JAPANESE MARKSMANSHIP.

It is stated that the marksmanship of the Japa-
nese infantrymen is
excellent, their fire being very
effective.

THE DEFENCES OF
VLADIVOSTOK.

The Russians are considerably
increasing the defences at Vladivostok
in prevision of an attack from
seawards.

A barrier of booms and chains
has been constructed across the har-
bour mouth, and the mine fields have
been greatly extended and strength-
ened.

Opium for China.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

BOMBAY, 6th April.

The P. & O. Co.'s mail steamer left
Bombay yesterday afternoon with
about 375 chests of Malwa opium.

Prices for the best drug are:—

Malwa (New) ...Rs. 1,200

" (Old) ... " 1,450

" (Older) ... " 1,550

" (Oldest) ... " 1,630

Market is very firm.

(Reuter's.)

The Tibet Mission.

LONDON, 4th April.

Reuter's correspondent at Tuna wires that
the recent fighting will not alter the political
character of the Mission which will still go
on to Myangtse.

The Berlin newspapers consider that Rus-
sian prestige has received a severe blow, and
expresses curiosity as to Russia's attitude in
Tibet.

Accident to a Russian Cruiser.

The cruiser *Zhemchik* (i. *Zhivochik*, des-
troyer), while completing her equipment in
the Baltic yards began to sink, and it was
found that the pipes leading from the furna-
ces to the sea had been left open; the
water pouring in the vessel. Foul play is
suspected.

The Recent Bombardment of
Vladivostok.

It has been ascertained that the Russian
squadron was at Vladivostok when the
Japanese bombarded it, but did not show it-
self, having another object than that of fight-
ing an enemy stronger than itself.

China and Tibet.

Reuter's correspondent at Tuna wires the
Chinese Amban has written to Col. Young-
husband saying he wished to meet him, but
the Delai-lama refused transport. He is
now coming to Gyangtse.

The Tibet Mission.

A reconnaissance found a strong abandon-
ed camp six miles from the recent fight.

The Near East.

Fighting has occurred at Kresna between a
Bulgarian band and a Turkish force. Several
were wounded. Large bands have appeared
on the Monaster railway, and many peasants
are reported to be joining the insurgents.

LATER.

The War.

Advices from St. Petersburg state that
General Artamanoff with 500 Cossacks has
occupied Unsan, forestalling a Japanese
force advancing from Chongu.

Russian in Tibet.

The *Nouvelles* regards the British
advance in Tibet a highly important move,
as by dominating Tibet and the Delai-Lamas
government, Great Britain will inevitably do-
minate the whole of the Mongol world, in-
cluding the territories bordering the Rus-
sian dominions, and is certain to use the
position to create a thousand difficulties for
Russia. The *Swift* expresses similar views.

THE HEALTH OF THE COLONY.

From returns to hand this afternoon it would
appear that the ninth plague case recorded in
the Colony since the beginning of the year has
been notified as having occurred at Hunghom
where the body of a Chinaman was found in
the Tak Cheong yard. During the week ended
at noon on 2nd inst. three fatal (Chinese) cases
of plague were reported, while other commu-
nicable diseases notified included two European
cases of enteric fever, one ending fatally, of six
Chinese cases of smallpox, one of which had a
fatal termination.

FORTHCOMING ENTERTAIN-
MENT.

THE TROUBADOURS.

It will be seen from our advertisement
columns that Leavitt's Anglo-American trou-
badours are coming to Hongkong where they
intend opening for a short season, on Monday,
the 11th inst. Judging from what the *Bombay*,
Penang and Straits papers have had to say
regarding the performances, Hongkong thea-
tre-goers are going to be treated to an excellent
entertainment well deserving the most liberal
patronage during the company's engagement
here. The *Straits Echo* thoroughly endorsed
"the glowing reports of our Indian contem-
poraries upon the company," while the *Singapore
Free Press* asserts they are by far the best lot
of variety artists that have yet visited Singa-
pore for some time. The entertainment is
high class and almost ideal vaudeville. We
shall have more to say about it in future issues.

THE "DAKOTA" LAUNCHED.

The second great craft of the Great Northern
Steamship Company, the *Dakota*, was launched
at New London, Connecticut, on February 6.
Some 10,000 persons witnessed the event,
which was made somewhat of a national event,
as on the launching of the *Minnesota*. The
sponsor for the *Dakota* was Miss May Belle
Flemington, a Dakota young lady of some
seventeen summers, and almost seven feet in
height, she being notably of giant stature.
President Hanscom presided at the banquet,
following the launching, and the orator was
Hon. John McGinley, of New London, who
spoke in behalf of the shipbuilding company
and New London, Mr. Hill making a brief
response, saying that he was immensely
pleased with the success of the day's event,
and that though a few transatlantic vessels out-
stripped the Seattle fleet in size, the *Dakota*
and *Minnesota* were still the largest American
ships and the greatest to ride the Pacific,
whose greatness he was content to have
measured by their future achievements be-
tween America and the Orient.—*American
Asiatic*.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

Canadian (*Athena*) 8th inst.English (*Walla*) 8th inst.German (*Hamburg*) 12th inst.Canadian (*Empress of India*) 15th inst.American (*Siberia*) 17th inst.Canadian (*Tartar*) 22nd inst.

The s.s. *Satsuma* left Singapore for this port
via Manila on 2nd inst.

The C. C. Co.'s s.s. *Lullias* arrived at Port-
land on 2nd inst.

The C. C. Co.'s s.s. *Ching Mo* arrived at
Salina Cruz on 2nd inst.

The C. C. Co.'s s.s. *Cleyer* arrived at
Kobe on 5th inst. p.m., and may be expected
here on 16th inst.

THE WAR.

THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE IMPERIAL DIET.

THE ADDRESS FROM THE THRONE.
On the 21st ult. we printed a telegram from our correspondent at Yokohama, giving a summary of the speech from the Throne at the opening ceremony of the Imperial Diet held in the House of Peers on the 20th ult.

H.I.M. the Emperor, accompanied by Prince Iwakura, Chamberlain Viscount Tanaka, Minister of the Imperial Household, Lieut-General Baron Okazawa, Chief Aide-de-camp to His Majesty, and other Court dignitaries, left the Palace at 10 a.m., that day. The Imperial procession in full state arrived at the Diet, where His Majesty was received by H.I.H. the Crown Prince and other Princes of the Blood, who had previously arrived, the President and Vice-Presidents of the two Houses and other officials in the Diet. His Majesty rested for a short time in a chamber specially prepared for the Imperial use.

At 11 a.m. the Emperor, again accompanied by H.I.H. the Crown Prince, the Princes of the Blood, and most of the Court dignitaries mentioned above, repaired to the floor of the Upper House, where Count Katsura, the Premier, the other Ministers of State, the Privy councillors, and the members of the two Houses welcomed His Majesty.

THE ADDRESS.

After all present had taken their positions, Count Katsura approached the Emperor and handed to His Majesty the scroll containing the speech from the Throne. Receiving the document from the hands of the Premier, His Majesty read the following Address:—

"We hereby open the Imperial Diet and address each and all Members of the Houses of Peers and of Representatives:—

"We announce with high satisfaction that our relations with the Treaty Powers are steadily growing in cordiality and good understanding.

"Prompted by an earnest desire to maintain permanent peace in the Extreme East, our Government by our Command entered into negotiations with Russia, but we regret that, owing to an absence of sincerity on the part of Russia in her peaceful professions, we have been compelled to appeal to arms. Having taken that step, we should know no rest until the objects of the war is attained. Our forces, in the presence of unvoiced hardships and privations, are now displaying their steadfast loyalty and valour, and we hope that all our subjects will co-operate in perfect unity for the enhancement of the glory of the Empire.

"We trust that you will, in compliance with our will, fulfil the duty incumbent upon you and give cordial consent to those Budgets and Bills which are specially urgent in connection with the situation, and we have ordered the Ministers of State to lay before you."

His Majesty was distinctly heard from all parts of the House and on the conclusion of the Address, all the members of the Diet, who had been standing during the reading of the Address, made a deep obeisance. Prince Tokugawa, the President of the House of Peers, then stepped forward and received the scroll from the Emperor. This ended the ceremony, and after a brief rest in the chamber mentioned above, the Emperor and suite returned to the Imperial Palace, leaving the Diet at about half-past eleven.

It may be mentioned that during the ceremony the galleries of the House of Peers were filled by the members of the Diplomatic Body and high military and civil officers, all attired in State uniforms, making the scene a brilliant one. There were also some twenty foreign war correspondents present during the ceremony.

THE REPLY.

The following is the reply to the address from the Throne as adopted by the House of Representatives:—

"With awe and humility, Your Imperial Majesty's humble servants in the House of Representatives beg to express their gratitude to Your Majesty for Your Majesty's condescension in opening the Diet in person and favouring them with a gracious Address. The preservation of peace in the Far East is the constant aim of Japan. Russia, on the other hand, had no sincere respect for the peace and set at defiance her pledges to China and her repeated declarations to the other Powers. Under the circumstances, we are profoundly gratified at Your Majesty's declaring war against Russia. Our expeditionary forces are winning victory after victory and are conducting operations with loyalty and bravery. For all this we are sincerely grateful to Your Majesty. It shall be our humble efforts, in conformity with Your Majesty's orders and wishes, to discharge our legislative duties."—*Nagasaki Press.*

IMPERIAL MARITIME CUSTOMS.

We understand that the Inspector General of the Imperial Maritime Customs has given instructions to all Commissioners of Customs' Offices at all ports to the effect that, as a state of war now exists between Russia and Japan, supplies for either party must neither

leave Chinese ports nor be furnished by Chinese subjects. Until further orders Chinese territory leased to Russia, as well as the port of Newchwang, still in Russian occupation, are to be considered foreign places to which the export of rice, etc., including flour is prohibited. With regard to the neutrality of China during hostilities it is stipulated that, trade with the belligerent powers may continue, but must be in accord with rules regarding contraband of war. Accordingly, the working of cargo composed of articles on the contraband of war list, is forbidden, and permits, etc. will be refused. Flour will be treated similarly to rice, which can only voyage under bond.

VICE-ADMIRAL TOGO REPLIES TO THE EMPEROR.

On the 15th ult. Vice-Admiral Togo, Commander-in-Chief of the Combined Fleet, replied to the Imperial Message of the 13th idem as follows:—

"We, humble subjects of Your Majesty, are deeply impressed by the gracious receipt granted us with regard to the attack on Port Arthur on March 10th. At present the weather in the Yellow Sea has become very mild and our tactical movements are thereby greatly facilitated. We shall endeavour, with greater energy than before, to obtain a conclusive victory in this war."

UPHOLDS JAPAN'S ACTION.

OPINION OF EXPERT ON INTERNATIONAL LAW.

Prof. John W. Burgess, dean of the school of political science of Columbia University, and an authority on international law, declared recently that Japan had violated no principle of international law by her attack on the Russian fleet in Port Arthur previous to a formal declaration of hostilities.

"As far as there is precedent for alleging an act of treachery the evidence is all on the other side," said Prof. Burgess. "In our wars, both with Mexico and Spain, hostilities were begun and continued before a state of war was declared. In the Mexican war two battles, those of Palo Alto and Resaca de la Palma, were fought before Congress recognized war as existing. At any event, there was enough previous notice to the Russian Government to lead the Russians to expect a hostile act."

"The Russian Ambassador at Tokyo had received his passport in token that diplomatic relations no longer existed. The Japanese Minister at St. Petersburg in turn had asked for his papers and had notified the Russian Foreign Office of his intention of leaving. Certainly that constitutes notice enough that a nation has determined to break off amicable relations. In fact, it would appear as if Russia had been a little bit slow in this matter."

"As far as I have been able to discover there is no fixed and stated principle of international law which demands that there shall be any formal declaration of war whatsoever. There is no need of the formality, and all precedent of modern times, even in the case of one war in which Russia herself was concerned, declares that no need exists for such a step. Entry of the Russian forces into Turkey in 1877 preceded by several hours the Russian declaration of war against the Sublime Porte. This is so well known a case as to be used as a text book illustration."

"War is considered to date from the first actual moment of conflict, and the conduct of belligerents and neutrals is regulated from that instant as if a formal statement of hostility had been made and received. There was nothing treacherous or improper in the attack made by the Japanese."—*N. Y. Sun.*

The following telegrams are taken from the *Straits Times*:—

KUROPATKIN AT MURDEN.

FURTHER PARTICULARS ABOUT THE LAST PORT ARTHUR ATTACK.

London, 28th March.

General Kuropatkin has arrived at Vukden.

Further official telegrams from St. Petersburg say that, when the Japanese fleet appeared off Port Arthur on the morning of the 17th instant, the Russian fleet, leaving the harbour, opened fire upon it, as also did the forts.

The Japanese fleet withdrew, evidently declining an engagement.

The *Silny's* engines were damaged by a shell during the fight with the Japanese torpedo boats.

The *Silny* stranded on a reef, the subsequently floated off and re-entered the harbour.

INTERNAL MACHINES AND GUNS.

Internal machines were found on board the fireships. The connecting wires were cut by the officers who boarded a sunken steamer and extinguished the fire. The fireships were armed with machine guns which were used against the Russian torpedo boats. The crews of the fireships escaped in boats.

GERMANY AND THE WAR.

The silence of the German press toward the war is very marked. The news agency despatches from abroad are printed with occasional explanation of their meaning to military and naval students, but that is all. The usually opinionated editor has nothing to say on the Japanese-Russian treaty, concerning Russia's protest against this alleged infringement of Korea's neutrality, whether the Kiel Canal may be used by belligerents, or on Foreign Secretary Von Richtofen's statements to the Budget Commission respecting the continued occupation of Chi-Li province by the troops of the Powers. The government has given the press to understand that neutrality in utterance and reserve as complete as the government's own, is a patriotic duty at this time.

The Foreign Office has the conviction that the German press has large powers of doing mischief in supplying material for ill-natured foreign commentators, and the government desires to be perfectly free to act should action be desirable at a later period in the

development of events without foreign feelings or that of either of the belligerents having been excited against Germany by injudicious comment.

RUSSIA AND GERMANY.

The *Russ*, a St. Petersburg journal, says:— "We should like to know why the Tonic press is so friendly. Germany has claims on Eastern Turkey. In the case of the Baghdad railway, Russia saw action by Germany taken directly against the interests of this country. Germany now seems to be taking advantage of our complication in the Far East. We cannot conceal the fact that it is known that Germany more than ever is actively pushing her plans in South-eastern Europe. Will not this friendship cost us dear in the end?"

Advices from Newchwang state that the Russians at Port Arthur declare the stronghold impregnable. Smallpox is raging in the city, and the mortality from this cause is stated to be ten times that from the attacks of the Japanese. As regards medical equipment the city is in a deplorable condition.

The first complete train traversed Lake Baikal over the railway on the ice on the 1st ult. The train consisted of twenty-five cars. Prince Khilkoff, Russian Minister of Public Works and Railways, was present when the start was made.

According to a telegram from Victoria, British Columbia, the British Admiralty issued orders on the 26th February for the "Empress" steamships sailing between Vancouver and the Orient to mount their six-inch guns. The "Empress" liners are British Government merchant cruisers, and the Government may call upon them for aid whenever occasion arises, but we doubt if the Admiralty has issued the order reported above.

According to the Government budget submitted to the Diet the war expenditure for this year is estimated at ¥380,000,000.

The Japanese military engineers have erected strong fortifications in north Korea from Gensan in Hamgyong Do to Anju in Pyongan Do. The fortifications extend right across the country and they are pronounced by Russian officers to be impregnable.

A man, who returned from Liaoting peninsula a few days ago, says the *Kobe Herald* of 28th ult. reports that there are barracks to the east of the northern gate of Kinchow and three hundred Russians are stationed there. Fodder in large heaps was piled up in the rear of the barracks and a number of tins of kerosene have been placed near the fodder. It is believed that the Russians intend to set fire to the fodder in case of retreat. Five forts are built on Nanshan Hill outside of the north gate and 22 field pieces and 6 cannons have been mounted there. A road has been made between the south gate and the forts to facilitate the forwarding of munitions of war. Boats have been dug in various directions between the south gate, the hill and the coast and magazines have been laid at various places. At the barracks to the south of the hill there are 3,500 men. Forts to mount quickfiring were in course of construction at the top of the city wall. Forts were also in course of construction at Pehshan, north of the north gate.

The Russians are believed to be preparing to dig a moat from the west gate to Pehshan Hill. The north, west and east gates were closed on the 17th and no traffic has since been allowed. The Chinese have about three months' provisions. They are afraid to leave the city lest they should fall into the hands of the mounted bandits. There is a fort between Kinchow and the hill in the rear of Talienshan. Submarine magazines have been laid down at Talienshan, but not in Kinchow Bay. The Russians are stationed at Sanjurho and no one is allowed to go near the place. The high road, which is strictly guarded by the Russians, is not protected, but all by-ways are. Two travellers were killed by stepping on one of the magazines on the 16th and at Nanshan Hill four coolies were blown to pieces on the 15th.

At Gapoten there are seven or eight rows of barracks and two companies of infantry; one company of Artillery and one company of Cavalry are stationed there. There is a large blacksmith shop there for the railway. At Yugakchen, there are three barracks and over 350 Infantrymen. No trains arrived at Tachikiao on the 23rd and 21st ult. from Harbin, and it is believed that the line has been damaged by the bandits. It is firmly believed at Newchwang that the mounted bandits are busy destroying the railway and telegraph line at various places. At a certain village to the southeast of Lianyung the bandits have posted placards warning the villages against selling bullocks to the Russians, and threatening to destroy the whole village in case of disobedience. The Russians in return ordered the villagers to deliver the offenders or to have the whole village burnt down. At Inkao and other places all Japanese are strictly searched by the Russians. Rewards of ¥2,000 are offered for the capture of any spy who is a Military man and ¥1,000 for other spies. The Chinese between Inkao and Kinchow hate the Russians.

OBSERVATIONS OF A CHINESE AT PORT ARTHUR.

The Chefoo correspondent of the *Asahi* sends to the Osaka journal the narrative of a Chinese, who left Chefoo by a junk, and landed at a village near Port Arthur on the 10th ult. It may be interesting to give a summary of this, but of course the statements made need to be accepted with all reserve. From the villagers the Chinese learned that in the attack on Port Arthur on the 24th ultimo, three Russian destroyers left the harbour, and when cruising about were intercepted by a flotilla of Japanese destroyers, backed by four cruisers. Not firing ensued. One of the destroyers managed to escape and reach Port Arthur. One was sunk between Port Arthur and Yangtow Bay; and the other, which managed to reach Yangtow Bay, caught fire and was run ashore there. Two men on this destroyer were killed; the remainder, thirty-eight men, fled to Port

Arthur, leaving the destroyer in the hands of the enemy but ablaze.

The Chinese travelled in the direction of Port Arthur, and at one place saw ten guns ranged along the shore. Behind the guns was a trench about two hundred feet long, six feet deep and four feet wide. The place was quite desolate, however, and no soldier could be seen with the exception of a man on a hill some distance away, who appeared to be an officer. Passing along to the next village the Chinese saw a company of about three hundred artillerymen. These men were reported to be stationed there and quartered on the inhabitants. The Russians were not given a good name, as it was reported that they commandeered what they required without payment, and were generally feared by the people. On the 11th ult. the traveller passed through a village translated as King-yang-long. Here he learned from the villagers, who appeared to be much pleased at the prospect, that the Japanese army was expected before long, and that scouts had been landed from Japanese war-ships. On arrival at Port Arthur the Chinese soon discovered that commodities were at famine prices. Kerosene costing 4 cents at Chefoo was here 30 cents; flour was 4 dollars, while at Chefoo it was 2 dollars 20 cents; bread 5 cents a roll, and at Chefoo something equivalent to 6 rolls. A Chinese restaurant charged him more than ten times the usual price. The Russians in authority commandeered pigs at one and a-half rubles a head, fowls from 5 to 10 cents. Donkeys were appropriated without taking the trouble to pay the owners. Junks were prohibited from trading, and no agricultural products were entering the city.

From his observation in the port, the Chinese concludes that as much wood as possible is used in the repair of the damaged war-ships, the work can be executed much more quickly with wood than with iron. There were then seven or eight war-ships and ten destroyers in port. At the entrance to the harbour was sunk a large Chinese Eastern Railway Company's steamer, of which the upper part of the deck could be seen. To the east of the Tiger's Tail was sunk a large three-funnelled war-ship, and on the other side was another war-ship submerged. One of the Japanese steamers used in the blocking expedition was sunk in the entrance to the harbour, and was in such a position that it caused great obstruction. Regarding the troops then in the city the observer thought there were less than 2,000.

About forty Chinese were employed as detectives by the civil administration at a wage of forty roubles a month. There was a standing reward of several hundred roubles to the man who apprehended a spy. An incident occurred on the 5th March, which is related as a fact. The narrator says a very large number of Chinese left Port Arthur by train, after obtaining permission of the civil authorities to leave, but when they arrived at a certain village they were impressed by the Russians and employed on the construction of some forts at a place called Sokote.

As to the provisions in Port Arthur, the Chinese says he saw six stone warehouses filled with flour, and five stores built of zinc full of rice. It was reported that provisions for the military were plentiful, train-loads arriving regularly from Manchuria.

At the bombardment on the 10th the Japanese squadron was sheltered from the fire of the forts by the peninsula behind Kotetsuan. Since the 14th ult. the construction of a large fort has begun which will command the position taken up by the squadron. Some three hundred and fifty engineering troops and five hundred Chinese were engaged on the work.

The Chinese who communicates the above returned to Chefoo on the 22nd ultimo.

THE UNHAPPY CZAR.

The new *Fortnightly Review* contains, among a number of most excellent articles bearing on the general situation in the Far East, a very timely and well-informed character sketch of the Czar, of whom, as the writer admits, the most contradictory impressions are abroad. "His detractors declare him to be a melancholy, uxorious man, surrounded by a wall of detail, dominated by women, and impotent for good or evil. His admirers describe him as a man with a great mission, the advancement of the humanitarian idea which is struggling with military might in every country in Europe."

The Czar's honor of war is largely derived from his mother, the sister of Queen Alexandra. "The present writer of the Dowager-Empress of hearing the subject of war. There can be no indiscretion in saying that her Majesty's loathing and distaste of the method of settling international differences by resort to the necessity of defending national rights by effective preparations by land and sea, but that the new spirit of humanity, which has already led to a distinct diminution in the military ambitions of France, finds a most powerful friend in the Dowager-Empress of Russia."

At the same time the Dowager-Empress is not entirely a peaceable influence at Court. The powerful influence of the Dowager-Empress has created two parties in the Russian Court. It is an ecclesiastical necessity imposed on the ladies of the Russian Royal Family that they shall all of them be named after a Russian saint. The Dowager-Empress's name was Dagmar, and as there is no saint of that name she was accordingly given the title of Marie. The name of the present Empress was Alix, and as there is no saint Alix, she too received the name of Marie. When there are two Marias in a family, each with great influence, none the less if that family be Imperial, two parties are certain to be formed, and will range themselves according to their interests and predilections. There is a mother-in-law tragedy at the Russian Court."

The Czar is not a sportsman—in the words of an old keeper at Lowther Castle, he does not know enough to hold a gun straight—and his personal reputation still suffers in Russia from the story of his alleged pusillanimity on the occasion of the attempt on his life in Japan. A letter from his companion, the Prince of Greece, spreads the story. "From Athens the report was widely circulated throughout Europe. The letter described the episode of the attempted assassination, and the Crown Prince of Greece, after dwelling on the scene wherein the Japanese madman struck at his cousin, the Czarevitch used words which have become historical in Russia, 'Then Nickie ran!'"

There is no doubt that the dread of Nihilism and the shadow of the tragic fates of the Romanoffs have had a great effect on the naturally timid character of the Czar. Only in May last an explosive was found in a clock in the breakfast room of one of the Czar's palaces. "The extraordinary feature about the Nihilism in Russia is the extent to which the upper classes sympathise with the efforts of the intellectual proletariat to bring the present system to an end. The Czar, who his knows who are his friends and who his enemies. An abiding sense of distrust is the result, and hence the passionate affection that His Majesty feels for his wife, whose faithful counsel and patient sympathy are his bright spots in one of the saddest lives in Europe."

"The amusements of the Czar," adds the writer, "are few. He is fond of photography, sometimes indulges in a mood for the making of melancholy verse, and, as was said in a previous place, he is an adept with the cycle. When at Gatchina he is in the habit of cycling by himself for a portion of every day, but at Peterhof the work brought down from St. Peterburg, and the constant interviews with Ministers and officials, consume the whole of his time, and a light in His Majesty's working room may be seen far into the night as he labours with the mountains of papers that are despatched to him by cunning Ministers, who are resolved to surround the young Czar with a parapet of detail in order to prevent his mastery of the larger questions affecting Russian policy."

"The Czar is a kindly, saddened, overworked and unhappy man. His desire to do his duty compels him to engage in an unceasing struggle with details which are never overtaken. In this struggle he is helped by one of the best and noblest of women, whose virtues are derived, through her mother, from our own Queen Victoria. When the Czar was a boy he had an English nurse who taught him to speak English methods of life and habits which he has never lost. When the Czar is in private costume he has recourse to the English family life, his delight, and the English constitutional system he regards with a favourable eye. In character he is more like his grandfather than his father. "The Czar Nicholas II. is physical' weak; his nerves are shattered; his will feeble. He is amiable where iron-handness is essential. He is dependent when a strong individuality is required. He is constantly in subjection first to one influence and then to another. He is more usually amenable to women's control and the fair sex has on more than one occasion exercised powerful, if not calamitous, influence upon his life."

COMMERCIAL.

PUNJON MINING CO.

The Acting Secretary of the Punjon Mining Co., Ltd., informs us that a telegram has been received from the mines estimating the value of the March clean up of a miscellaneous collection of 700 tons at \$6,000. The mines have been shut down for want of working capital, and the Manager, Mr. W. Kerfoot Hughes, returns to Hongkong to consult the directors and shareholders as to the best means of carrying on the company in view of Mr. Lock's special report on the concession which is in some respect favourable. The annual meeting will be held early next month.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.
London—Bank T.T. 1/9 3/16
Do. demand 1/9 3/16
Do. 4 months' sight 1/9 7/16
France—Bank T.T. 2/21
America—Bank T.T. 43
Germany—Bank T.T. 1/80
India T.T. 1/31
Do. demand 1/31
Shanghai—Bank T.T. 7 1/2
Japan—Bank T.T. 87
Singapore—Bank T.T. Nominal
Java—Bank T.T. 106 1/2

Buying.
4 months' sight L/C 1/9 9/16
6 months' sight L/C 1/9 11/16
30 days' sight San Francisco & New York 43 1/2
do. do. 44 1/2
4 months' sight do. 44 1/2
30 days' sight Sydney and Melbourne 1/9 13/16
4 months' sight France 2/26
6 months' sight do. 2/27 1/2
4 months' sight Germany 1/84 1/2
Bar Silver 25 1/2
Bank of England rate 4 1/2

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.

WINDSOR GARDEN RESTAURANT,
WONG-NEI-CHUNG ROAD,
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THE Partnership existing in the business of the above Restaurant between myself and F. HUBER has been this day DISSOLVED, and I shall be no longer responsible for any DEBTS incurred by the said F. HUBER in the name of the Partnership after this date. Dated the 5th April, 1904.

MAX JACOBS.

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FRED. HUBER,
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E. W. TILDEN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1904. [1]

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Hongkong, 5th April, 1904. [1a]

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Arrivals.
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 Benlawers, Br. s.s., 1,491, H. W. Bee, 5th April.—London and Singapore 30th Mar., Gen.—G. L. & Co.
 Doric, Br. s.s., 4,975, H. Smith, R.M.R., 6th April.—San Francisco 5th Mar., Honolulu 12th, Yokohama 21st, Kobe 27th, Nagasaki 29th, and Manila 4th April, Mails and Gen.—O. & S. S. Co.
 Andree Rickmers, Ger. s.s., 1,020, H. Köhn, 6th April.—Bangkok 30th Mar., Rice and Gen.—B. & S.
 Hailong, Br. s.s., 783, Gibson, 6th April.—Swatow 5th April, Gen.—D. L. & Co.
 Kwangtshai, Ch. s.s., 1,535, W. H. Lunt, 6th April.—Canton 5th April, Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.
 Australian, Br. s.s., 1,784, W. G. McArthur, 6th April.—Kobe 1st April, Gen.—G. L. & Co.
 Tsinlau, Ger. s.s., 1,002, O. Koch, 6th April.—Bangkok 30th Mar., Rice and Wood.—B. & S.
 Edendale, Br. s.s., 717, Moss, 6th April.—Saigon 31st Mar., Rice.—Master.
 Halaban, Dut. s.s., 395, Venderbeien, 6th April.—Pulo Sambo 30th Mar., Petroleum.—Order.
 Talbot, Br. cruiser, 5,006, Bazly, 6th April.—from Miss Bay.

Departures.

April 6.
 Centurion, H.M.S. battleship, for Miss Bay.
 Ocean, H.M.S. battleship, for Miss Bay.
 Vanguard, H.M.S. battleship, for Miss Bay.
 Glory, H.M.S. battleship, for Miss Bay.
 Albatross, Br. cruiser, for Miss Bay.
 Albion, Br. cruiser, for Miss Bay.
 Grey, for Br. cruiser, for Miss Bay.
 Hotham, for Pakhoi.
 Choufat, for Bangkok.
 Triton, for Anping.
 Taitung, for Canton.
 Lightning, for Calcutta.
 Kaitung, for Manila.
 Hunan, for Shanghai.
 Gaea, for Saigon.
 Pandua, for Rangoon.

Passengers arrived.

Per *Andree Rickmers*, from Bangkok—Mr. and Mrs. Conrad, and Mr. and Mrs. Steinberg.
 Per *Hailong*, from Swatow—Mrs. Samson, Rev. Col. Messrs. Ross, Lloyd, and 21 Chinese.
 Per *Doric*, from San Francisco, &c.—Mrs. P. G. Anderson, Messrs. A. Cotting, Chas. Freeman, H. Hugo, Mrs. K. C. Palmer, Mr. E. B. Shaw, Comdr. J. B. Milton, U.S.N., Lieut. Comdr. A. W. Dodd, U.S.N., Mr. A. P. Felt, Mrs. E. E. Jones, Master Jones, Messrs. R. W. Currucci, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Pickard, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Patterson, Misses L. H. Rogers, L. A. Beechcroft, Mr. and Mrs. H. Krusi, Judge F. G. Waite, Misses Mabel M. Bousall, Coleman, N. J. Canfield, Hon. Chas. A. Willard, Mrs. A. W. Hastings, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Welch, Messrs. Geo. M. Ghoulis, Jas. Mitchell, and Mrs. L. D. Hargis.
 Per *Tsinlau*, from Bangkok—Mr. Hamel.
 Per *Australian*, from Kobe—Messrs. Sammis, H. Lee, H. Beckett, and 10 Chinese.
 In Transit—Dr. and Mrs. Hocken, Misses Hocken and MacGillivray, Mrs. Adams, Mr. Knox, and 4 Japanese.

Passengers departed.

Per *China*, for Shanghai—Mr. and Mrs. McGee, Mr. and Mrs. H. Hoyer, Mr. and Mrs. W. Astill, Misses C. E. A. Wiley, Messrs. Wm. Thompson, Lieut. H. A. Wiley, Messrs. K. J. Kingsford, Leon Santos, J. M. Edgar, Olaf Thoreson, H. Loy, E. H. Cope, W. L. Rodgers, Mr. Remedios, E. Kempfer and H. C. Graves, Jr. For Nagasaki—Miss O. Sakai, For Kobe—Messrs. H. B. Gibbins, S. Hatano and U. Nakajima. For Yokohama—Mrs. and Miss Bagnall. For San Francisco, &c.—Mrs. A. K. Scott, Jackson, Mrs. F. Perrine, Mr. S. E. Brown, Mrs. M. Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. W. Graydon, Mrs. A. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Guerin and infant, Dr. and Mrs. Schumaker, Mrs. Andrew Johnstone, Misses Johnstone, G. Hammond, E. B. Kimball, Amelia P. Klein, A. R. Pearson, C. C. Boyle, Major Radcliffe, Capt. J. H. Russell, Lieut. G. W. McElroy, Messrs. F. W. Spicer, C. R. Richards, R. H. Schneelock, V. Dolliver, R. J. McLaughlin, C. H. Goddard, Kenest Brown, David Kerr, Joe Amolsky, E. J. Bates, N. M. Nelson, Wm. Patterson, Bryan Bradley, W. M. Carruth, M. S. Hutton and M. E. Sandall.

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Malta	Singapore	P. & O. Co.	April 8
Athenian	Shanghai	C. P. R. Co.	April 8
Jason	Singapore	B. & S.	April 10
Anhui	P. Darwin	B. & S.	April 10
Achilles	Singapore	B. & S.	April 12
Hamburg	Japan	M. & Co.	April 12
Indravelli	Japan	P. & A. Co.	April 14
Emp. of India	Japan	C. P. R. Co.	April 15
Clavering	Kobe	C. C. Co.	April 15
Siberia	San Francisco	P. M. Co.	April 17
Tartar	Vancouver	C. P. R. Co.	April 22

Vessels in Port.

Steamers.
 Artemisia, Ger. s.s., 3,656, E. Gronmeyer, 5th April.—Singapore 29th Mar., Gen.—H. A. & Co.
 Bourbon, Fr. s.s., 997, Antoni, 30th Mar.—Saigon 26th Mar., Rice.—Man Fat.
 Brunhilde, Ger. s.s., 850, Selck, 3rd April.—Samarang 25th Mar., Sugar.—Order.
 Capri, Ital. s.s., 4,027, G. Belsio, 4th April.—Bombay 17th Mar., and Singapore 29th, Gen.—C. & Co.
 Else, Ger. s.s., 903, Petersen, 5th April.—Saigon 31st Mar., Rice and Flour.—J. & Co.
 Evandale, Br. s.s., 2,468, Buyers, 5th April.—Penarth 13th Feb., Coal.—Admiralty.
 Foo Shing, Br. s.s., 1,422, T. Arthur, 27th Mar.—Moi 21st Mar., Coal.—J. M. & Co.
 Formosa, Br. s.s., 2,616, B. W. H. Snow, 5th April.—London via Port 20th Feb., Gen.—F. & O. S. N. Co.
 Hangsang, Br. s.s., 1,356, S. Wilde, 3rd April.—Calcutta 12th Mar., Penang and Singapore 28th, Gen.—J. M. & Co.
 Holstein, Ger. s.s., 985, Hansen, 4th April.—Saigon 31st Mar., Rice and Gen.—Yuen Woo & Co.
 Itaura, Br. s.s., 3,363, C. R. Kendall, 2nd April.—Moi 27th Mar., Coal.—J. M. & Co.
 Johanne, Ger. s.s., 952, Inland, 5th April.—Saigon 31st Mar., Rice.—J. & Co.
 Kumsang, Br. s.s., 2,077, E. J. Buller, 2nd April.—Saigon 30th Mar., Rice.—J. M. & Co.
 Loongsang, Br. s.s., 1,093, G. S. Weigall, 5th April.—Manila 2nd April, Gen.—J. M. & Co.
 Madeleine Rickmers, Ger. s.s., 1,020, Sanders, 29th Mar.—Bangkok 23rd Mar., Rice.—B. & S.
 Mausang, Br. s.s., 1,644, S. J. Payne, 25th Mar.—Sandakan 19th Mar., Timber and Gen.—J. M. & Co.
 M. Struve, Ger. s.s., 966, P. Brandt, 1st April.—Tamsui 20th Mar., Amoy 30th, and Swatow 31st, Gen.—O. S. K.
 Oscar II, Norw. s.s., 2,000, R. Olsen, 31st Mar.—Moi 25th Mar., Coal.—M. B. K.
 Petchaburi, Ger. s.s., 1,376, Hillmann, 3rd April.—Kohsichang 27th Mar., Rice and Wood.—B. & S.
 Pitsanulok, Ger. s.s., 1,467, C. Fuchs, 3rd April.—Bangkok 27th Mar., Rice and Timber.—B. & S.
 Prometheus, Nor. s.s., 1,023, Lenabrygg, 4th April.—Moi 30th Mar., Coal.—O. S. K.
 Shantung, Ger. s.s., 1,587, Engelhardt, 4th April.—Singapore 28th Mar., Kerosine.—Mr. G. McBaln.
 Ujina, Br. s.s., 3,426, S. Bonn, 31st Mar.—Karatsu 26th Mar., Coal.—J. M. & Co.
 Wuchang, Br. s.s., 801, Finlayson, 4th April.—Hilo 31st Mar., Gen.—B. & S.
 Zafiro, Br. s.s., 1,611, Rodger, 4th April.—Manila 1st April, Gen.—S. T. & Co.

Sailing Vessels.

Algoa Bay, Br. bq., 1,111, Title, 4th Mar.—Hongay 15th Feb., Coal.—B. & S.
 Arrow, Br. 4-masted bq., 2,071, McDonald, 17th Mar.—from New York, Kerosine Oil.—S. O. Co.
 Lyndhurst, Br. masted-bq., 1,879, Parnell, 20th Mar.—Kobe 13th Mar., Ballast—S. O. Co.
 Vale of Doon, Sarawack bq., 669, Wesemore, 24th Mar.—Rajang, N.W. Borneo 18th Feb., Timber.—S. W. & Co.

Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Returns.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Lin Tan	at Kowloon Dock		
H.I.G.M.S. Moewe	"	"	"
China	"	"	"
Fooshing	"	"	"
Bar. Th. Hu.	Wind	Wr.	
Vladivostok	7 a.m.	—	—
Nemuro	6 a.m.	30.08	E 6
Hakodate	"	29.97	—
Tokio	"	29.59	—
Kochi	"	29.83	W 0
Nagasaki	"	30.15	—
Kagoshima	"	30.11	N 4
Naha	"	30.08	E 6
Oshima	"	30.09	NE 2
Ishigakijima	"	30.05	E 4
Taihoku	5 a.m.	30.01	E 6
Taichu	"	29.98	—
Tainan	"	29.98	—
Koshun	"	30.00	E 4
Pescadore	"	29.98	N 6
Weihaiwei	9 a.m.	30.15	SE 4
Gutzhaff	"	30.11	SE 8
Sharp Peak	"	30.10	SE 8
Amoy	6.30 a.m.	30.10	SE 8
Swatow	9 a.m.	—	—
Canton	"	—	—
Hongkong	10 a.m.	29.98	E 4
Victoria Peak	"	—	—
Gap Rock	"	29.94	E 5
Macao	"	29.93	E 7
Haiphong	"	29.92	WNW 1
Manila	"	29.92	NE 4
Bacolod	9 a.m.	—	—
Hilo	"	29.89	NE 3
Cebu	"	29.91	N 2
C. St. James	10 a.m.	—	—

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 Manila—Per *Lyra*, 7th April, 11 A.M.
 Yokohama and Kobe—Per *Artemisia*, 7th April, 11 A.M.
 Swatow and Tientsin—Per *Chihli*, 7th April, 11 A.M.
 Macao—Per *Huanghai*, 7th April, 1.15 P.M.
 Namtau—Per *Taichun*, 7th April, 5 P.M.
 Sanbue—Per *Hoi Fu*, 7th April, 5 P.M.
 Macao—Per *Wingchai*, 7th April, 5 P.M.
 Canton—Per *Kinsan*, 7th April, 5 P.M.
 Swatow and Shanghai—Per *Huanghai*, 7th April, 5 P.M.
 Canton—Per *Powan*, 8th April, 7.30 A.M.
 Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui—Per *Hailong*, 8th April, 9 A.M.
 Macao—Per *Huanghai*, 8th April, 1.15 P.M.
 Cebu and Iloilo—Per *Wuchang*, 8th April, 3 P.M.
 Manila—Per *Loongsang*, 8th April, 3 P.M.
 Manila, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per *Chinglu*, 8th April, 3 P.M.
 Namtau—Per *Taichun*, 8th April, 5 P.M.
 Sanbue—Per *Hoi Fu*, 8th April, 5 P.M.
 Macao—Per *Wingchai*, 8th April, 5 P.M.
 Canton—Per *Hankow*, 10th April, 9 A.M.
 Namtau—Per *Taichun*, 10th April, 9 A.M.
 Sanbue—Per *Hoi Fu*, 10th April, 9 A.M.
 Macao—Per *Wingchai*, 10th April, 9 A.M.
 Singapore, Penang and Bombay—Per *Capri*, 11th April, 11 A.M.
 Europe, &c., India, via Tuticorin—Per *Hamburg*, 13th April, 11 A.M.
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